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In re Application of  
Keith Sauerland  
Serial No.: 10/644,111  
Filed: August 20, 2003  
For: Cordless Stethoscope for Hazardous  
Material Environments

## DECISION ON PETITION

This is in response to applicants' petition filed January 5, 2005 to make the above-identified application special under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102(a), based on applicant's health condition.

Applicant has satisfied the provisions set forth in M.P.E.P. 708.02, IV with supporting documentation. Therefore the petition is hereby **GRANTED**.

The application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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